

KIDSNET Update



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KIDSNET facilitates the collection and appropriate sharing of health data with healthcare providers, parents, MCH programs and other child service providers for the provision of timely and appropriate preventive health services and follow-up.

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KIDSNET would like to recognize Drs. Lampal and Montgomery who closed their practice on December 30, 2011. After many years of service to the children of Rhode Island their services will be missed. Thank you, Marie and Dr. Lampal and Dr. Montgomery for your participation and contributions to KIDSNET. Congratulations on your retirement!

KIDSNET Welcomes: Concentra Primary Care

Provider History

A new feature on the KIDSNET demographics page may help KIDSNET users connect with primary and other healthcare providers who have cared for a child in the past. On this page is a provider history that includes not only the child's current primary care provider, but others who have provided healthcare to the child in the past. Any provider who has submitted immunization data to KIDSNET for the child or ordered a lead screening are listed, as well as the primary care provider identified by the mother at the time of the child's birth.

New HL7 Data Submitters

Submission of immunization data in Health Level Seven International (HL7) format helps assure the timely recording of data in KIDSNET and is a component of meaningful use of an electronic health record. This month KIDSNET recognizes Crawford Family Medicine, Inc., East Greenwich Pediatrics, Tri-Town Health Center, and Thomas David Puleo, MD, LLC as new HL7 data submitters.

Lead Screening information available to School Nurse Teachers

As a result of a KIDSNET user satisfaction survey conducted last spring, KIDSNET worked with the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program to secure access to lead screening information for school nurse teachers. Clicking on "lead" in the left most KIDSNET menu will bring up the lead screening page. The date of each lead screening and the ordering physician will be viewable, although the lead screening result and any home inspection information will not. This should be helpful as school nurse teachers work with primary care providers to verify school entry requirements. If you have any questions, please contact your provider relations representative.

Requesting Labels

If you are submitting datasheets and need labels, please make sure to check the "*Check box to request new labels*" box at the top of the data sheet. Using your labels on submitted data sheets is the quickest way to have information entered into KIDSNET.

For more information about KIDSNET, please visit our website: www.health.ri.gov/family/kidsnet
Call the HEALTH Information Line at 401-222-5960 with any questions or suggestions.

KIDSNET Reports

Immunization Report

In November and/or December 2011, the following **50** pediatric practices ran the missing immunization report:

A To Z Primary Care, Arcand Family Medicine, Inc., Atwood Pediatrics, Inc., Bald Hill Pediatrics - Coastal Medical, Blackstone Valley Community Healthcare - Pawtucket, Bristol County Pediatrics, Capitol Hill Health Center - PCHC, Chad Nevola, MD, Chafee Health Center - PCHC, Charles J. Deangelis, MD, FAAP, Ltd., Cheryl Flynn, MD, Concentra Primary Care, Cumberland Pediatrics, Douglas Foreman, DO, East Bay Community Action Program, East Greenwich Family Practice, East Greenwich Pediatrics, Family Medicine Specialists, Inc., Family Treatment Center, Hillside Avenue Family and Community Medicine, Jamiel Ambrad, MD, Kingstown Pediatrics, MHRI Primary Care Pediatric Center, Michael Hayden, DO, Michael Rosenberg, DO, Narragansett Bay Pediatrics, Narragansett Indian Health Center, Northern RI Pediatrics, Northstar Pedi Primary Care, Park Pediatrics, Pediatric Associates, Inc., Providence Pediatrics, Rainbow Peds Pedi Primary Care, Richard M. Bianco, DO, Siavash Ghoreishi, MD, South County Walk-In & Primary Care, Spectrum Family Health, Stuart V. Demirs, MD, Sunshine Pediatrics, Tanya Becker, MD, Thomas David Puleo, MD, Thundermist Health Center of South County, Tri Town Health Center, University Medical Group - Cranston, Valley Primary Care, Wakefield Pediatrics, Warren Family Practice Associates, Wellone - North Kingstown, Wellone - Pascoag, and Westerly Pediatrics

Lead Screening Report

In November and/or December 2011, the following **35** pediatric practices ran the report for children never screened for lead poisoning: Aquidneck Medical Associates, Inc. - Ettefagh, Aquidneck Medical Associates, Inc. - Newport, Capitol Hill Health Center - PCHC, Chad Nevola, MD, Chafee Health Center - PCHC, Charles J. Deangelis, MD, FAAP, Ltd., Children's Healthcare, Inc., Cumberland Pediatrics, Douglas Foreman, DO, East Bay Community Action Program, East Greenwich Family Practice, Family Health and Sports Medicine, Family Health Services - Cranston, Family Practice - Women's Care, Family Treatment Center, Jennifer Salm, MD, - Aquidneck, Narragansett Indian Health Center, Northstar Pedi Primary Care, P.R.I.M.A., Pediatric Associates, Inc., Rainbow Peds Pedi Primary Care, Santiago Medical Group - Cranston, Santiago Medical Group - North Providence, Santiago Medical Group - Pawtucket, Spectrum Family Health, St. Joseph Pediatric Clinic, Sunshine Pediatrics, Thomas David Puleo, MD, Tri Town Health Center, University Medical Group - Cranston, Warren Family Practice Associates, We Luv Kids, Inc., Wellone - North Kingstown, Westerly Pediatrics, and Wood River Health Services

TDAP Recommendation

HEALTH is recommending that all hospital emergency departments (ED) and urgent care (UC) centers administer Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine instead of Td (tetanus, diphtheria) for wound management to individuals who require a tetanus-containing vaccine and have not already received a Tdap dose. This recommendation reflects the most recent Tdap recommendation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)'s Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) and should be followed to help prevent pertussis (whooping cough). It applies to children 7 years of age and older and all adults (including pregnant women, but only after 20 weeks of gestation).

Tdap may be given regardless of the interval since the last tetanus-containing vaccine. Tdap vaccine is available to order through Rhode Island's State-Supplied Vaccine (SSV) program for people of all ages requiring wound management, including adults 65 years of age and older. However, if an adult 65 years of age and older is not receiving wound management care, state-supplied Tdap vaccine cannot be used. In these instances, private stock Tdap vaccine should be administered or the patient should be referred to a primary care provider or a pharmacy.

Background

Nationally, pertussis outbreaks are on the rise. In 2010, one of the largest outbreaks occurred in California resulting in an epidemic. More than 9,000 cases were reported and ten newborns younger than three months of age died. Infants, who are either too young to be vaccinated or have not completed their primary DTaP series, are especially at risk of severe disease. Pertussis is typically spread to infants through close contact with infected family members or other caretakers.